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BEGIN SUMMARY. ECONOMIC COMMITTEE BEGAN CONSIDERATION OF ITEM 13 JULY 4 WITH INTRODUCTION BY UNIDO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR KHANE WHO REPORTED ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF UNIDO FOLLOW-UP TO LIMA CONFERENCE. TO DATE, 18 COUNTRIES INCLUDING US HAVE SPOKEN IN RELATIVELY LOW-KEY DISCUSSION CHARACTERIZED BY BRIEF INTERVENTIONS AND GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT COUNCIL SHOULD NOT EMBARK ON SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF DRAFT STATUS FOR NEW SPECIALIZED AGENCY. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING BRIEF GENERAL REFERENCE TO LIMA CONFERENCE AND THE NINTH SESSION OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED AS HAVING PRODUCED "ENLIGHTENED PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES", KAHNE LISTED VARIOUS SPECIFIC STEPS SECRETARIAT TAKING OR CONTEMPLATING IN FOLLOW-UP, INCLUDING (A) SUBMISSION OF REVISED 1976-77 PROGRAM/BUDGET TO UN SYG; (B) FOCUSING CONSULTATINS INITIALLY IN FIELDS OF FERTILIZERS, IRON AND STEEL, ALUMINUM, MACHINE TOOLS, AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, FOOD PRODUCTS, LEATHER AND PESTICIDES; (C) PAYING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO IMPROVING THE
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COMPETITVENSS OF NATURAL MATERIALS IN THE TEXTILE SECTOR AND

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TO THE INTRODUCTION OF RICE-BRAN STABLIIZATION TO REDUCE THE
CURRENT HIGH LEVEL OF SPOILAGE; (D) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF IN-
DUSTRIAL ESTATES AND PILOT COMMUNITY FOOD PROCESSING CENTERS IN
THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES; (E) THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRAINING
PROGRAMS IN LDC'S AND EXPLORATION OF THE POSSIBILITY OF ENTER-
PRISES THEREIN ASSUMING A SHARE OF THE COSTS. (TEXT OF
KHANE STATEMENT POUCHED 10/CMD).

2. LDC SPEAKERS (BRAZIL, VENEZUELA, YUGOSLAVIA, MEXICO, PAKISTAN,
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) GENERALLY CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE LIMA DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION, SOME EXPRESSING THE HOPE
THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WOULD REVIEW THE NEDD TO MAINTAIN THEIR
RESERVATIONS THEREIN. MEXICO INSISTED THAT FOUR DRAFT RE-
SOLUTIONS REMANDED FROM THE LIMA CONFERENCE TO THE IDB BE ADOPTED AT
THE NEXT PERMANENT COMMITTEE MEETING. GROUP B OBSERVATIONS RANGED
FROM STATEMENTS TO EFFECT THAT LIMA HAD PRODUCED GENERALLY USEFUL
RESULTS (FRANCE, NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM) TO MORE DIFFERENTIATED
COMMENT (UK, FRG, US) ON WHY CONSENSUS NOT ACHIEVED. LDC'S
GENERALLY WELCOMED FOLLOW-UP STEPS BY SECRETARIAT INDICATED IN
KHANE SPEECH AND E/5712. GROUP B COMMENT ON THESE GENERALLY
MORE GUARDED (THE US INDICATING THAT IT HAD ALREADY EXPRESSED
VIEWS ON VARIOUS SECRETARIAT PROPOSALS AT IDB-IX AND THAT IT
PREPARED TO FURTHER EXPLORE THESE IN PERMANENT COMMITTEE AND
AVOIDED ENDORESEMENT OF SPECIFIC SECRETARIAT SUGGESTIONS, EX-
CEPT FOR NETHERLANDS WHICH GAIN STRONGLY SUPPORTED FURTHER
ACTION IN THE FIELD OF APPROPRIATE INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY.
SOCIALIST COUNTRIES REITERATED THEIR SUPPORT FOR LIMA PRINCIPLES
AS DID CHINESE WHO AGAIN UNDERLINED NEED FOR LDC SEFL-RELIANCE
AND MUTUAL SUPPORT.

3. AS REGARDS DRAFT UNDIO STATUTES, GENERAL AGREEMENT HAS EMERGED THAT

CURRENT SESSION NOT APPROPRIATE FORUM FOR SYSTEMATIC DISCUSSION
OF TEXTS. DEVERAL SPEAKERS (DENMARK, BRAZIL, FRANCEN YUGOSLAVIA,
MEXICO, UK,JAPAN, US, TRINIDAD) PROPOSED THAT STATUTES BE EX-
AMINED IN AN INTERGOVERNMENTA GROUP DESIGNATED BY SEVENTH
SPECIAL SESSION. ONLY MONGOLIA CALLED FOR IN-DEPTH EXAMINATION
OF STATUTES AT SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION. DIFFERENCES OF OPINION
HAVE EMERGED ON TIMEFRAME WITHIN WHICH NEGOTIATION OF STATUTUES
SHOULD BE COMPLETED. US HAS PROPOSED THAT INTERGOVERNMENTAL
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GROUP REPORT TO 31ST GA. (A NUMBER OF LDC DELS HAVE PRIVATELY
STATED THEY CONSIDER THIS WOULD INTODUCE TOO MUCH DELAY INTO
THE PROCESS.) YUGOSLAVIA, VENEZUELA AND NETHERLANDS HAVE
CALLED FOR OMPLETION OF EXERCISE AT 30TH GA. OTHER SPEAKERS
ENVISAGED POSSIBILITY OF CONVENING A SPECIAL CONFERENCE IN 1976
TO WHICH THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP WOULD REPORT. DISCUSSION
IN COMMITTEE AND CORRIDORS HAS IDENTIFIED FOLLOWING PROCEDURAL
QUESTIONS AS REQUIRING DECISION OF SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION:

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WHAT KIND OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED, E.G. SHOULD IT BE AD HOC OR SHOULD THE IDB BE ASKED TO EXAMINE THE STATUTES; SHOULD MEETING BE IN NEW YORK OR VIENNA; WHEN AND TO WHAT BODY (GA OR SPECIAL CONFERENCE) SHOULD THE GROUP REPORT. G-77 WORKING ON POSSIBLE RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD RECOMMEND PROCEDURE TO THE SEVENTH SPECIAL GA. DALE

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